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We urged MFA Counselor for UN Affairs Yasser Naggar on June 12 to consider that certain elements of the comprehensive reforms proposed by the UN Secretary General concerning the mechanism for staff to bring employment-based grievances should not be implemented, and left reftel non-paper on the USG position. Naggar responded that he would pass the points to the Egyptian delegation in New York, but that the GOE supports the UN Secretariat's plan to fix a "system that doesn't work." "This is a priority for us," he said, noting that the GOE delegation to the 5th Committee had been instructed to expedite these reforms to get them up and running by January 2009. However, he added that the GOE is ready to coordinate with the USG and others to "streamline" the budget.

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